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SUBJ: SHIFTS IN ARGENTINE FOREIGN MINISTRY

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1. THOUGH SOURCES IN FOREIGN MINISTRY WERE UNCERTAIN UNTIL LAST MOMENT THAT HE WOULD ACTUALLY GO, DESMARAS LUZURIAGA DEPARTED SOME TEN DAYS AGO TO TAKE UP NEW POST AS AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRALIA.

2. AMBASSADOR JUAN CARLOS BELTRAMINO HAS COME IN FROM BUCHAREST AND ON MARCH 12 WAS SWORN IN AS NEW UNDER-SECRETARY. AMBASSADOR HILL AND EMBOFFS MET HIM AT MARCH 10 LUNCHEON FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS AND FOUND HIM TO BE INTELLIGENT AND FRIENDLY. HE WILL BE A DEFINITE IMPROVEMENT OVER DESMARAS LUZURIAGA.

3. AMBASSADOR FRANCISCO MOLINA SALAS, THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF FOREIGN POLICY, IS NOW SLATED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO AN AS YET UNDISCLOSED EMBASSY. SOME HAVE SPECULATED THAT HE MIGHT REPLACE AMBASSADOR ORFILA IN WASHINGTON. HE WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT CHOICE, BUT THE FACT THAT HE IS A CAREER OFFICER WITH NO OUTSIDE SOURCE OF INCOME MILITATES AGAINST IT. BRAZIL IS ANOTHER MORE LIKELY
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POSSIBILITY.

4. AMBASSADOR FRANCISCO PULIT, PRESENTLY THE CHIEF OF THE LATIN AMERICAN DEPARTMENT, WILL MOVE UP TO TAKE MOLINA SALAS' PLACE WHEN THE LATTER DEPARTS.

5. THERE ARE ALSO RUMORS THAT AMBASSADOR CONRADO C. BECKMANN WILL DEPART SOON TO TAKE OVER AN EMBASSY AND WILL BE REPLACED AS UNDERSECRETARY OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC RELATIONS BY AMBASSADOR JUAN MANUEL FIGUERERO ANTEQUEDA, WELL KNOWN TO THE EMBASSY AND TO THE DEPARTMENT.
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